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SUBJECT: AMBASSADOR ENCOURAGES CHILE TO ENGAGE MORE AT THE
UN ON REFORMS

REF: A. STATE 163224

[1](#)B. SANTIAGO 1368

Classified By: Ambassador Craig Kelly. Reasons: 1.4 (b and d).

[1](#)1. (C) Ambassador delivered Ref A demarche to Foreign Ministry Director General for External Relations Carlos Portales on September 8. After expressing our appreciation for Chile's support for USG positions, the Ambassador encouraged Chile to engage more forcefully at the United Nations, and make its support for flexibility known to others.

[1](#)2. (C) Portales reiterated Chile's support for the USG positions (as conveyed earlier by Deputy FM Barros -- ref b). He said the GOC was "concerned" about the current negotiations among Members, noting it would be a "disaster" if we were not able to reach agreement on "at least three or four" of the most important parts of the Summit Outcome Document. Portales (who will accompany President Lagos and FM Walker to the UNGA) said the GOC would "do what it could" to encourage others to be more flexible.
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